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In re Application of: Cudmore, et al.)
Serial No.: 10/771,065) Confirmation No. 2236
Filing Date: February 3, 2004) Art Unit: 3672
For: System and Method for Optimizing	Attorney Docket No.: 102.0026 US

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PETITION TO RESET THE PERIOD FOR REPLY TO NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the Commissioner consider this Petition to Reset the Period for Reply and waive the fee for requesting an extension of time based on the following facts:

- 1. The subject application was filed on February 3, 2004. Our return postcard was date-stamped as received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") on February 3, 2004 and accorded Serial No. 10/770,918. A copy of the date-stamped postcard from the PTO is attached as Exhibit A.
- 2. On July 22, 2004, Rhonda Smith, the IP Administrator of Applicant's attorney, determined that the official Filing Receipt had not been received from the PTO, at which time Ms. Smith telephoned the Office of Initial Patent Examination ("OIPE") and inquired about the Filing Receipt.
- 3. In response to this phone inquiry, M. Young of the OIPE sent a copy of the Filing Receipt to Ms. Smith by fax. Included with the Filing Receipt was a Notice to File Missing Parts of

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8 & 1.10

I hereby certify that this document and its attachments are being sent on the date indicated below to Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 by:

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Nonprovisional Application, which was originally dated as having been mailed from the PTO on May 3, 2004. A response deadline of two months to July 3, 2004 was set. A copy of this fax transmission from the OIPE is attached as Exhibit B.

- 4. According to M. Young, since the official Filing Receipt and the Notice to File Missing Parts was not received until July 22, 2004, and the two-month time period in which to respond had expired, the OIPE should have set a new period for reply.
- 5. In response to M. Young's request, attached as Exhibit C is a print screen from Applicant's attorney's docketing system indicating that the deadline for filing a response to the Notice of Missing Parts was added to this record on July 26, 2004 by Gabriella Scott of attorney's office after receipt of the official Filing Receipt from the OIPE. Since the time period in which to respond had expired, and based on the statement of M. Young of the OIPE, an extended deadline of **September 22, 2004** (two months from receipt of the Notice to File Missing Parts) was docketed.

Based on this information, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commissioner consider this Petition to Reset the Period for Reply based on the facts presented above with supporting documents, and waive the fee for requesting an extension of time. The resetting of this Period for Reply would then extend the deadline to **September 22, 2004**.

Please charge the Petition fee of \$130 as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(h) to Deposit Account No. 50-2475. No additional fees are thought to be necessary. However, should such fees be deemed necessary, please charge any fees and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2475.

Respectfully Submitted,

Date: August 27, 2004

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EXHIBIT A

Applicant: Julian R. Cudmore, et al. Docket No: 102.0026

Serial No: To be assigned Date Filed: February 3, 2004

For: System and Method for Optimizing Production in an Artificially Lifted Well

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the enclosed materials by placing your mailroom stamp on this postcard and returning same. The following items were transmitted by Express Mail on the above date:

- 1. Utility Patent Application Transmittal
- 2. Fee Calculation Sheet (in duplicate)
- Specification, Claims and Abstract
- 4. Formal Drawings (11 sheets)
- Information Disclosure Statement with Copies of Citations
- 6. Post card

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Thank you,

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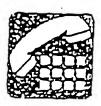
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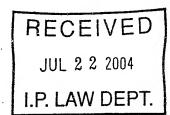
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

 The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

 To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity

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